

ACRONYMS

AAPCC	adjusted average per capita cost
ABAWD	able-bodied adults without dependents
ABC	A Better Chance
ACF	Administration for Children and Families
ACR	adjusted community rate
ACT	Achieving Change for Texans
ADL	activities of daily living
AFCARS	Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System
AFDC	Aid to Families with Dependent Children
AFDC-UP	Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Unemployed Parent
AFI	adjusted family income
AGI	adjusted gross income
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AIME	average indexed monthly earnings
ALJ	administrative law judge
APC	ambulatory payment classification
APHSA	American Public Human Services Association
ASC	ambulatory surgical center
ASSETS	Avenues to Self-Sufficiency through Employment and Training
AWIU	average weekly insured unemployment
BBA	Balanced Budget Act
BBRA	Balanced Budget Refinement Act
BLS	Bureau of Labor Statistics
CACFP	Child and Adult Care Food Program
CAH	critical access hospital
CAMP	College Assistance Migrant Program
CAP	Child Assistance Program
CAPTA	Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 1974
CBO	Congressional Budget Office
CCDBG	Child Care and Development Block Grant
CCDF	Child Care and Development Fund
CCPD	continuous cycling peritoneal dialysis
CDR	continuing disability review
CETA	Comprehensive Employment and Training Act
CEX	Consumer Expenditure Survey
CNMI	Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
COBRA	Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985
COGME	Council on Graduate Medical Education
COLA	cost-of-living adjustment
CPAC	Competitive Pricing Advisory Committee
CPI	Consumer Price Index
CPI-U	Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers
CPI-W	Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers

CPS	Current Population Survey
CRS	Congressional Research Service
CSE	Child Support Enforcement
CSFP	Commodity Supplemental Food Program
CSRS	Civil Service Retirement System
DAA	drug addiction and alcoholism
DCTC	dependent care tax credit
DDS	Disability Determination Service
DI	Disability Insurance
DIC	dependency and indemnity compensation
DME	durable medical equipment
DMERC	durable medical equipment regional carrier
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
DOL	U.S. Department of Labor
DRG	diagnosis-related group
DSH	disproportionate share hospital
EA	emergency assistance
EB	Extended Benefits program
EBT	electronic benefit transfer
EIC (or EITC)	Earned Income Credit (sometimes called Earned Income Tax Credit)
EMPOWER	Employing and Moving People Off Welfare and Encouraging Responsibility
EPO	erythropoietin
ERISA	Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974
ES	Employment Service
ESAA	Employment Security Administration Account
ESRD	end-stage renal disease
EUC	Emergency Unemployment Compensation
EUCA	Extended Unemployment Compensation Account
FCS	Food and Consumer Service
FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
FDP	Family Development Program
FECA	Federal Employees' Compensation Account
FERS	Federal Employee's Retirement System Act of 1986
FICA	Federal Insurance Contributions Act
FIP	Family Investment Program
FMAP	Federal medical assistance percentage
FNS	Food and Nutrition Service
FPL	Federal poverty level
FPLS	Federal Parent Locator Service
FRA	full retirement age
FSA	Family Support Act
FTE	full-time equivalent
FTP	Family Transition Program
FUA	Federal Unemployment Account

FUTA	Federal Unemployment Tax Act
GA	general assistance
GAF	geographic adjustment factor
GAIN	Greater Avenues for Independence program
GAO	U.S. General Accounting Office
GDP	gross domestic product
GED	general education degree
GI	gastrointestinal
GME	graduate medical education
GPCI	geographic practice cost index
HCD	human capital development
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration
HEP	Migrant High School Equivalency program
HHA	home health agency
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
HI	Hospital Insurance
HIAA	Health Insurance Association of America
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
HMO	health maintenance organization
HoDAG	Rental Housing Development Grant
HOME	Home Investment Partnerships Program
HOPE	Home Ownership and Opportunity for People Everywhere Program
HOPWA	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program
HUD	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
IADL	instrumental activities of daily living
IME	indirect medical education
IMG	international medical graduates
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act
IPA	independent practice associations
IPS	interim payment system
IRA	individual retirement account
IRC	Internal Revenue Code
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
IUR	insured unemployment rate
JOBS	Job Opportunities and Basic Skills training program
JTPA	Job Training Partnership Act
LAE	limitation on administrative expenses
LEAP	Learning, Earning, and Parenting
LEAP	Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnerships
LFA	labor force attachment
LHWCA	Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act
LIHEAP	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
LMSA	section 8 loan management set-aside
LOS	length-of-stay (outliers)

M+C	Medicare+Choice
MAF	medical assistance facility
MBI	market basket index
MCCA	Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act
MDH	Medicare dependent hospitals
MDRA	Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation
MedPAC	Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
MEDPAR	Medicare Provider Analysis and Review
MEI	Medicare economic index
MEPA	Multiethnic Placement Act
MFIP	Minnesota Family Investment Program
MGIB	Montgomery GI bill
MMCC	Medicare Managed Care Contract
MOE	maintenance of effort
MPPAA	Multiemployer Pension Plan Amendments Act of 1980
MSA	medical savings account
MSA	metropolitan statistical area
MVPS	Medicare volume performance standard
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NCANDS	National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System
NCCSS	National Child Care Staffing Study
NCHS	National Center for Health Statistics
NEWS	National Evaluation of Welfare-to-Work Strategies
NF	nursing facility
NICHD	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
NIS	National Incidence Study of Child Abuse and Neglect
NSAF	National Survey of America's Families
OASDI	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance
OASI	Old-Age and Survivors Insurance
OASIS	outcome and assessment information set
OBRA	Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
OCR	Office for Civil Rights
OCSE	Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OES	Occupational Employment Statistics program
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OPD	outpatient department
OPEC	Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
OTCA	Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988
PASS	plan for achieving self-support
PBGC	Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation
PCCM	primary care case management programs
PD	property disposition
PFS	Parent's Fair Share Demonstration
PIA	primary insurance amount
PIMS	Pension Insurance Modeling System

PIP-DCG	principal inpatient diagnostic cost group
PNA	personal needs allowance
PPA	Pension Protection Act of 1987
PPO	preferred provider organization
PPS	prospective payment system
PRO	peer review organization
ProPAC	Prospective Payment Assessment Commission
PRWORA	Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act
PSO	provider-sponsored organization
QC	quality control
QDWI	qualified disabled and working individual
QI	qualifying individual
QMB	qualified Medicare beneficiary
RCI	residential child care institution
RHS	Rural Housing Service
RPA	Retirement Protection Act of 1994
RRA	Railroad Retirement Act
RRB	U.S. Railroad Retirement Board
RRC	rural referral centers
RUGs-III	resource utilization groups
RVU	relative value unit
SACWIS	Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System
SAVE	Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements program
SCH	sole community hospital
SCHIP	State Children's Health Insurance Program
SECA	Self-Employment Contributions Act
SEPPAA	Single Employer Pension Plan Amendments Act of 1986
SGA	substantial gainful activity
SGR	sustainable growth rate
SIMPLE	Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees
SIPP	Survey of Income and Program Participation
SLMB	specified low-income Medicare beneficiary
SMI	supplementary medical insurance
SNF	skilled nursing facility
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSBG	Social Services Block Grant
SSDI	Social Security Disability Insurance
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SSN	Social Security number
SSP	State supplemental payments
SSP	separate State program
TAA	Trade Adjustment Assistance Program for Workers
TAF	Temporary Assistance to Families
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TEA	Transitional Employment Assistance

TEA	Transportation Equity Act
TEFAP	The Emergency Food Assistance Program
TEFRA	Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982
TFP	Thrifty Food Plan
TMA	transitional medical assistance
TPD	Teenage Parent Demonstration
TPR	termination of parental rights
TQ	transitional quarter
TRA	trade readjustment allowances
TSMF	To Strengthen Michigan Families
TUR	total unemployment rate
TWP	trial work period
UC	unemployment compensation
UEFJA	Uniform Enforcement of Foreign Judgments Act
UI	unemployment insurance
UIFSA	Uniform Interstate Family Support Act
URES	Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act
VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
VCIS	Voluntary Cooperative Information System
VIEW	Virginia Initiative for Employment not Welfare
WIA	Workforce Investment Act of 1998
WIC	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
WRP	Welfare Restructuring Project
WTW	welfare-to-work